

FUNDING \$ UPDATE

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ANIMALS

Planet Dog Foundation National Grantmaking Program

Program: The mission of the Planet Dog Foundation is to promote and celebrate programs in which dogs serve and support their best friends. The foundation's grantmaking program is designed to financially support not-for-profit organizations that bring people and pets together for mutual benefit and support. Funding will be allocated nationwide to promote service-oriented canine activities, including:

service dogs;

- therapy dogs;
- animal-assisted therapy;
- search and rescue dogs;
- police, fire, and military dogs; and
- other innovative canine service programs.

The majority of foundation funding is earmarked for smaller, grassroots nonprofits with budgets under \$300,000, although the foundation will support larger national organizations that pave the way in the field of canine service programs.

Funds: Grant size: up to \$5,000

Deadline: August 1, 2006

Eligible: Nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status

Information: Executive Director, Planet Dog Foundation, 322 Fore Street, Portland, ME 04101, Telephone: (207) 761-1515, E-mail: pdf@planetdog.com, Link: www.planetdogfoundation.org/Grantmaking.asp

ARTS AND MUSIC

National Endowment for the Arts Summer Schools in the Arts Program

Program: The NEA Summer Arts Program supports rigorous, challenging summer arts education programs that enable children and youth to acquire knowledge and skills in the arts, as well as gain lifelong interests in the arts and culture. Interested organizations must have a three-year history of providing arts education instruction prior to the application deadline.

Funds: Maximum grant size: \$35,000

Deadline: May 22, 2006

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations and units of state and local government

Information: Arts Endowment staff, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506, Telephone: (202) 682-5579, Link: www.arts.gov/grants/apply/SummerSchools.html

CFDA: 45.024

Blues Music Foundation

Grants for Blues Education and Preservation

- Program:** The Blues Music Foundation has initiated a grant application process to distribute proceeds from the “Salute to the Blue” benefit concert and resulting concert film. The foundation invites grant applications from organizations in the blues world for programs to further the celebration and preservation of the blues, promote blues education, assist individuals and organizations with special needs, and other worthy blues causes. The foundation only will fund suitable projects presented by legitimate organizations and institutions that further the cause of blues education and preservation.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$195,000
- Deadline:** August 4, 2006.
- Eligible:** Nonprofit organizations
- Information:** Robert Santelli, Executive Director, Blues Music Foundation, c/o Experience Music Project, 330 Sixth Avenue North, Suite 200, Seattle, WA 98109, Telephone: (206) 262-3203, E-mail: BluesMusicFoundation@emplive.org, Link: www.emplive.org/BMF/

CHILD CARE

The Economic Development and Child Care Research Technical Assistance Project

Venture Grant Fund: New Strategies and Partnerships to Link Economic Development and Child Care

- Program:** The Economic Development and Child Care Research Technical Assistance Project, a collaboration of The Alliance for Early Childhood Finance, Cornell University, Smart Start’s National Technical Assistance Center, and the Institute for Women’s Policy Research, is soliciting grant proposals for innovative strategies that link economic development and child care and will make funds available in two categories.
- 1) Small Venture Grants to help plan or initiate new ideas, policies, or programs that apply economic development strategies to the early care and education industry; and
 - 2) Larger Implementation Grants for organizations that are ready to move beyond the planning stage and begin to implement a new idea.
- The purpose of the Venture Grant Fund is to seed bold, new ideas. Successful proposals will be those that engage new partners, offer fresh ideas, or begin to pilot innovative strategies that can be used by leaders in the fields of early care and education and economic development.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$100,000
Grant size: \$5,000 for Small Venture Grants
- Deadline:** June 1, 2006
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations
- Information:** Smart Start’s National Technical Assistance Center, 1100 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh,

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NC 27604-1278, E-mail: GSCobb@smartstart-nc.org Link:
www.earlychildhoodfinance.org/MeetingsCalls.htm

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Mary Kay Ash Charitable Foundation Shelter Grant Program

Program: In an effort to forward their goal of eliminating domestic violence, The Mary Kay Ash Charitable Foundation is currently accepting applications for grants for women's shelters. Funds awarded through the shelter grant program may be used for all shelter operating costs with the exception of travel expenses.

Funds: Grant size: \$20,000
Number of awards: 150

Deadline: September 1, 2006

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations

Information: Nancy Thomason, Executive Project Specialist, Mary Kay Ash Charitable Foundation, P.O. Box 799044, Dallas, Texas 75379-9044, Telephone: (972) 687-4515, Link:
www.mkacf.org/BreakTheSilence.html

EDUCATION

U.S. Department of Education Fund for the Improvement of Education Smaller Learning Communities Program

Program: The purpose of the Smaller Learning Communities program is to promote academic achievement through the creation or expansion of small, safe, and successful learning environments in large public high schools to help ensure that all students graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to make successful transitions to college and careers.

Funds: Total funds available: \$86,954,000
Number of awards: 72

Deadline: June 26, 2006

Eligible: Local educational agencies

Information: Deborah Williams, Program Manager, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3W241, Washington, DC 20202-6200, Telephone: (202) 205-3783, E-mail: deborah.williams@ed.gov, Link:
www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=9223

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ENVIRONMENT

Patagonia

Grants for Environmental Work

Program: The Patagonia company funds only environmental work, and is most interested in making grants to organizations that identify and work on the root causes of environmental problems and that approach issues with a commitment to long-term change. The company funds work that is action-oriented; builds public involvement and support; is strategic in its targeting and goals; focuses on root causes; and accomplishes specific goals and objectives that can be effectively measured.

Funds: Range of grants: \$3,000 to \$8,000

Deadline: August 31, 2006

Eligible: Not-for-profit organizations

Information: Ilysia Shattuck, Environmental Grants Manager, Patagonia, Inc., Post Office Box 150, Ventura, CA 93002, Telephone: (800) 638-6464, Link:
www.patagonia.com/enviro/grants_app.shtml#apply

HEALTH

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Local Initiative Funding Partners Program

Program: Local Initiative Funding Partners is a partnership program between the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and local grantmakers that seeks to fund promising, original projects to significantly improve the health of vulnerable people in their communities. Grantmakers propose a funding partnership by nominating community initiatives that offer creative solutions to critical health or healthcare problems. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation invites grantmaking organizations, including independent and private foundations, family and community foundations, corporate foundations, and other philanthropies, to recommend projects for a funding partnership. Through the initiative, local grantmakers may leverage funds from Robert Wood Johnson to implement new community programs that address serious health issues. To be eligible for the program, projects must be new, innovative, collaborative, and community based. Significant program expansions, such as a major expansion into new regions or to new populations, also may be considered. Local Initiative Funding Partners matching grants may not be used for operation of existing programs. Projects must be nominated by a local grantmaker interested in participating as one of the funding partners. Local funding partners must be willing to work with each grantee to obtain sufficient dollar for dollar matching funds throughout the grant period and matching funds must represent new funding specifically designated to support the proposed project.

Funds: Total funds available: \$6 million
Range of grants: \$200,000 to \$500,000 in matching funds per project
Number of awards: up to 14

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Deadline: July 6, 2006
Eligible: Public entities, and nonprofit, tax exempt organizations with the support of a local grantmaking institution
Information: Sandra Lopacki, Deputy Director, Local Initiative Funding Partners, c/o Health Research and Educational Trust of New Jersey, 760 Alexander Road, Princeton, NJ 08543-0001, Telephone: (609) 275-4128, E-mail: slopacki@lifp.org, Link: www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19279

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation The Catalyst Fund

Program: Through The Catalyst Fund, the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation provides small grants to support capacity building in health care organizations and community-based agencies with health care programs that serve the health care needs of uninsured and low-income people. The Catalyst Fund grants will assist with one-time expenses needed to strengthen an organization's ability to fulfill its mission, or to enhance the capability of an organization to respond to a medical emergency.
Funds: Range of grants: \$1,000 to \$3,500
Deadline: ongoing
Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations
Information: The Catalyst Fund, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation, Landmark Center, 401 Park Drive, Boston, MA 02215, Telephone: (617) 246-3744, E-mail: grantinfo@bcbsmafoundation.org, Link: www.bcbsmafoundation.org/foundationroot/en_US/grants/grants.jsp

SPORTS

Bowling Foundation Youth In-School Bowling Program

Program: The Bowling Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the bowling community, sponsors the Bowler's Ed Youth In-School Bowling Program to promote lifelong physical activity by providing elementary and middle school teachers with free bowling curriculum enhanced with math, spelling, physics, and other skills. Funds can be used to purchase in-school bowling equipment or to host an in-school bowling training seminar.
Funds: Total funds available: \$20,000
Range of grants: \$1,200 to \$3,500
Deadline: June 1, 2006
Eligible: Educational institutions and nonprofit organizations serving youth
Information: The Bowling Foundation, Attention: David Cotter, 615 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76011, Telephone: (800) 343-1329, extension 254, Link: www.bowlingfoundation.org/about.asp

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**Balance Bar
Community Grants**

Program: Balance Bar Community Grants provide financial support to enable communities and organizations to pursue physical activities that enrich their members' lives. The grant must be dedicated to a project that will provide organization members, as well as community residents, with opportunities to lead healthy, active lifestyles. The applicant and the majority of beneficiaries of grant monies must be 18 years or older.

Funds: Range of grants: \$1,000 to \$25,000

Deadline: August 30, 2006

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations

Information: Balance Bar Community Grants, c/o Hunter PR, 41 Madison Avenue, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10010, Link: www.balance.com/grants/default.aspx

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Advancing Recovery: State and Provider Partnerships for Quality Addiction Care

Program: As part of its efforts to improve the quality of alcohol and drug addiction treatment in the United States by promoting evidence-based treatment practices, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has launched Advancing Recovery: State/Provider Partnerships for Quality Addiction Care. The four-year initiative will support partnerships between treatment provider organizations that deliver care and states that are in the unique role of being both the largest purchaser of publicly funded treatment services and regulators and licensers of those services. In this first round, six state-provider partnerships will be selected to participate in a learning network that will provide technical assistance and coaching to participants to improve the delivery of addiction treatment. Funding will support the process of making changes at both the state and provider levels to maximize the implementation of proven addiction treatment practices. Advancing Recovery will focus on five categories to improve treatment quality, including the use of:

- 1) medications for specific diagnoses;
- 2) screening and brief intervention in primary care settings;
- 3) specific psychosocial clinical interventions;
- 4) post-treatment care; and
- 5) case management, wraparound, and supportive services.

Funds: Total funds available: \$11 million over four years
Maximum grant size: \$180,000 per year for up to twenty-four months
Number of awards: up to six grants

Deadline: May 31, 2006

Eligible: Single state agencies, intermediate purchasing entities, community treatment agencies, and provider associations

Information: Todd Molfenter, Ph.D., Deputy Director, Advancing Recovery National Program Office, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 610 Walnut Street, Room 1140, Madison,

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WI 53726, E-mail: info@advancingrecovery.net, Link:
www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19546

SUMMER JOBS

Boston Connects, Inc. Youth Summer Jobs Program

Program: Boston Connects, Inc., the community-based organization working to create economic self-sufficiency for individuals, families, and communities in Boston's Empowerment Zone, will issue a request for qualifications on May 5 for experienced organizations to provide a summer jobs program for youth. Boston Connects is seeking providers located in or in proximity to the Empowerment Zone to create summer jobs for youth ages 14 to 17, as well as for 18 year olds who will be returning to high school in September 2006.

Funds: Total funds available: \$250,278

Deadline: May 23, 2006 by noon

Eligible: Not-for-profit community-based organizations and experienced agencies located in or in proximity to Boston's Empowerment Zone.

Information: Shirley Carrington, Director, Boston Connects Inc. 2201 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Roxbury, MA 02119, Telephone: (617) 541-2673, E-mail: Shirley.Carrington.bci@ci.boston.ma.us, Link: www.BostonEZ.org

VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Children's Hospital Boston Children Community Child Health Fund Violence Prevention Grants

Program: In response to the recent upsurge in community violence and its impact on the mental and physical health of children, Children's Hospital Boston has issued a special request for proposals through the Community Child Health Fund, and will offer one time grants to help organizations implement creative interventions to prevent violence or mitigate its effects. The request for proposals is intended to engage existing, successful programs in efforts to reduce violence in the city and its impact on children. Programs that support the engagement and resilience of children and youth are encouraged to apply, such as arts programs and recreation programs, even if they are not specifically violence prevention programs. For this funding, the Community Child Health Fund seeks to fund existing programs with a proven track record in this area from applicants with effective strategies and with the evidence to prove their effectiveness, either from research or from their own experience. To receive a grant, a project must:

- Demonstrate creative ideas for mitigating the problem of violence;
- Meet the needs of children and families from Boston neighborhoods;

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- Demonstrate realistic, achievable, and measurable goals and objectives;
- Use a culturally-responsive strategy;
- Include a plan for evaluation and measuring results;
- Include a plan for securing additional funds if needed, and for sustaining the program beyond the funding period; and
- Clearly define how the Community Child Health Fund money will be used, and a budget with the specific costs of the project.

Funds: Total funds available: \$200,000
Range of grants: \$10,000 to \$20,000 for a one year period; joint applications are eligible for a maximum of \$20,000

Deadline: May 26, 2006

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit community organizations, health centers, and schools in Boston

Information: Larisa Pazmino, Program Funds Coordinator, Office of Child Advocacy, Children's Hospital Boston, 300 Longwood Avenue, MS-611, Boston, MA 02115, Telephone: (617) 355-2099, Fax: (617) 730-0149, E-mail: Larisa.Pazmino@childrens.harvard.edu, Link: www.childrenshospital.org/about/Site1394/mainpageS1394P27sublevel30.html

WOMEN

WHO Foundation

Grants for Grassroots Organizations Serving Women and Children

Program: The WHO Foundation: Women Helping Others nationally supports grassroots charities serving the overlooked needs of women and children. Specific projects and programs addressing health, education, and social service needs are the foundation's priority. The foundation recognizes the value of new programs created to respond to changing needs and will consider funding projects of an original or pioneering nature within an existing organization. Preference will be given to organizations with an operating budget of \$2 million or less, those not dependent upon government grants, and those with greater organizational program costs than personnel costs.

Funds: Range of grants: \$2,500 to \$15,000

Deadline: September 12, 2006

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations

Information: WHO Foundation, P. O. Box 816029, Dallas, TX 75381-6029, Telephone: (800) 946-4663, Link: http://whofoundation.org/WHO_Funding.htm

YOUTH

Summer Safety Funder Collaborative

Summer Safety Request for Proposals

Program: The Boston Foundation and the United Way's Today's Girls Tomorrow's Leaders

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Initiative, in partnership with the Barr Foundation, the Hyams Foundation, The Foundation to be Named Later, the Shapiro Family Foundation, the Clipper Ship Foundation, and the Lenny Zakim Fund, request proposals from non-profit organizations that seek to expand services and effectively engage high-risk and disengaged teens ages 12 to 20 in Boston neighborhoods disproportionately impacted by community violence. The Summer Safety Funder Collaborative will distribute grants to support organizations through one of two funding programs: an Extended Hours Grants Program and Mini Grants Program. At least \$100,000 of the available grants pool will support programs that focus on engaging and serving high-risk girls, through either the Extended Hours or Mini Grants program.

Funds: Total funds available: \$330,000

Deadline: May 25, 2006

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations in Boston

Information: Jennifer Vorse, Program Assistant, The Boston Foundation, 75 Arlington Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02116, Telephone: (617) 338-2295, E-mail: jennifer.vorse@tbf.org, Link: www.tbf.org/fund/fund-L2.asp?id=3368

The Louis R. Cappelli Foundation

Support for Programs Serving At-Risk Youth

Program: The Louis R. Cappelli Foundation supports programs to assist at-risk youth to reach their full potential and provides targeted funding in the areas of education, health and fitness, and arts education.

Education – the foundation will look for education programs that encourage collaboration among agencies, educational facilities, childcare centers, school districts, and parents to address innovative education programs that encourage and foster the learning process for at-risk children.

Health and fitness – the foundation will support programs that provide innovative and worthwhile health programs and organized sports that encourage wellness and fitness, enabling at-risk children to reach their fullest potential in life.

Arts education – the foundation will support arts education programs that provide access to the visual and performing arts for at-risk children through a wide array of arts and related organizations.

Funds: Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$25,000

Deadline: June 30, 2006

Eligible: Tax exempt, nonprofit organizations that serve at-risk youth.

Information: Denise Groneman, Vice President, The Louis R. Cappelli Foundation, 115 Stevens Avenue, Valhalla, NY 10595, Telephone: (914) 769-6500, Fax:(914) 747-9268, Link: www.cappelli-inc.com/lrc.shtml

National Crime Prevention Council and the National Center for Victims of Crime

Youth Outreach for Victim Assistance Project

Program: The National Crime Prevention Council and the National Center for Victims of Crime are seeking applicants for the Youth Outreach for Victim Assistance project. The project, entering its third year, seeks to raise awareness about teen victimization and

services that can help teen victims of crime, and to provide resources to victim service providers so they can better reach and serve teen victims.

Funds: Maximum grant size: \$3,000

Deadline: May 15, 2006

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations

Information: Meghan Sharp, National Crime Prevention Council, 1000 Connecticut Ave., NW, Thirteenth Floor, Washington, DC 20036-5325, Telephone: (202) 466-6272, Fax: (202) 463-6297, E-mail: msharp@ncpc.org, Link: www.ncpc.org/programs/yova/grant_opportunity.php

FOUNDATION PROFILE

Public Welfare Foundation

2006 Grant Priorities

Program: The primary goal of the Public Welfare Foundation is to address human needs in disadvantaged communities. The foundation's grantmaking strongly emphasizes support for organizations that include service, advocacy, or empowerment in their approach, with particular interest in efforts that combine two or all three of these elements. Service is vital to remedy specific problems, with successful service programs often being the catalyst for more widespread action through advocacy. Advocacy addresses those specific problems in a systemic way through changes in public policy at the local, state, national, or international levels to enhance and broaden the impact of the foundation's grantmaking. Empowerment encourages and enables people in need to play leading roles in achieving policy changes and in remedying specific problems. The foundation also looks for organizations that link their work, or their community and local work, to other efforts to effect broader public policy change, and provides both general support and project specific grants. The foundation's funding priorities for 2006 include:

- community development;
- criminal justice;
- environment;
- health;
- human rights and global security;
- reproductive and sexual health; and
- youth.

Funds: Average grant size: \$45,000

Number of awards: approximately 400 annually

Deadline: No deadlines; the board meets eight times per year

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit community and regional organizations

Information: Public Welfare Foundation, 1200 U Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009, Telephone: (202) 965-1800, E-mail: reviewcommittee@publicwelfare.org, Link: www.publicwelfare.org

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RECENT AWARDS

Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation

Program: ▪ *Partners for Youth with Disabilities* – \$176,000 over two years to develop a statewide model in Massachusetts that makes mentoring activities more accommodating of and accessible to disabled youths.

Information: Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation, 1560 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1150, Arlington, Virginia 22209, Telephone: (703) 276-8240, Link: www.meaf.org

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation

Program: ▪ *University of Massachusetts* – \$200,465 for the Learning from the New Deal and Great Society project, which will coordinate two meetings focused on developing forward thinking education and social policies.
 ▪ *Community Catalyst* – \$150,000 over two years to expand university-based education on community change and organizing, to train organizational development specialists to work with grass-roots groups, and to develop models that link experienced community organizers with their successors.

Information: Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Mott Foundation Building, 503 South Saginaw Street, Suite 1200, Flint, Michigan 48502-1851, Telephone: (810) 238-5651, Fax (810) 766-1753, E-mail: info@mott.org, Link: www.mott.org

Carnegie Corporation of New York

Program: ▪ *Northeastern University* – \$23,000 for a conference that will study the role of swing voters in American elections.
 ▪ *Center for Public Interest Research* – \$200,000 for the New Voters Project, an effort to promote voter registration among young people.
 ▪ *Center for Effective Philanthropy* – \$25,000 to create and expand tools that foundations can use to assess their effectiveness, performance, and governance.

Information: Carnegie Corporation of New York, 437 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022, Telephone: (212) 371-3200, Fax (212) 754-4073, Link: www.carnegie.org

George Gund Foundation

Program: ▪ *City Year* – \$40,000 for the Young Heroes program.

Information: George Gund Foundation, 1845 Guildhall Building, 45 Prospect Avenue West, Cleveland, Ohio 44115, Telephone: (216) 241-3114, E-mail: info@gundfdn.org, Link: www.gundfdn.org